

## Senate Resolution 104 - Introduced

### SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 104

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1 A Resolution to honor the historical, political,  
2 cultural, social, and economic relationship among  
3 Canada, the United States, and Iowa and recognizing  
4 February 17, 2010, as Canada Day at the Statehouse.

5 WHEREAS, Canada and the United States share not  
6 only a 5,500-mile border, which is the world's longest  
7 secure border, but also a common history, heritage,  
8 and destiny based on shared ideals and democratic  
9 principles; and

10 WHEREAS, relations between Canada and the United  
11 States span more than two centuries, and the two  
12 countries have developed one of the most successful  
13 international relationships in the modern world; and

14 WHEREAS, for over 100 years Canada and the United  
15 States have stood together as allies and defense  
16 partners, fighting tyranny and terrorism in a  
17 partnership that remains resolute even today; and

18 WHEREAS, the United States is Canada's largest  
19 export market, with the United States importing \$343  
20 billion in goods from Canada while exporting \$262  
21 billion in goods to Canada; and

22 WHEREAS, the relationship between Canada and Iowa is  
23 equally strong, combining a complex and growing network  
24 of social, economic, and even familial ties; and

25 WHEREAS, it is estimated that 78,000 jobs in Iowa  
26 are supported by Canada-United States trade; and

27 WHEREAS, Canada is Iowa's top export market, with  
28 Iowa exports to Canada valued at \$3.5 billion and Iowa

1 imports from Canada valued at \$4.2 billion; and

2 WHEREAS, Iowa exports to Canada include steel  
3 products, oilseed cake and meal, organic chemicals,  
4 air conditioning and refrigeration units, and  
5 tractors, while Iowa imports include natural gas, oils,  
6 fertilizers, live animals, and steel products; NOW  
7 THEREFORE,

8 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE, That the Senate  
9 honors the relationships between the peoples and the  
10 governments of Canada, the United States, and Iowa,  
11 allies in war, friends and neighbors in peace, and  
12 partners in economic prosperity; and

13 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That in honor of our strong  
14 and growing relationship, the Senate recognizes  
15 February 17, 2010, as Canada Day at the Iowa  
16 Statehouse.